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SOLDIER BOYS APPEAL FOR MORE RECRUITS

Letter from Capt. Perry Keown Urges that More Recruits be Sent. Other Reports Indicate that the Boys are Located in Camp at Columbus. Chamber of Commerce Passes Resolutions. 21 New Recruits.

The following letter received by the News from Captain Perry Keown and Lieutenant John Luikart of Company "K" tells the story.

Columbus, New Mex.
May 15, 1916.

From Commanding officers Co. "K" 1st Inf., N. M. N. G.
To Editor Clovis News.

We appeal to the people of Clovis and Curry County through your paper to show their patriotism and enlist in Company K to do our part to insure the protection of life along the border. Militia Companies from stations near the border have had no trouble recruiting their companies to full strength. The people of these places realize the need of a strong patrol along this border that is infested with thieves and murderers.

Men! we are not doing our part. Curry county is not represented here as it should be. We are not ashamed of our part of this Grand old State, but our little handful of men look small beside companies from other parts of New Mexico. Recruits are arriving every day from other parts, but Curry County has not answered the call.

Come! let us have men. Report at once to Lieutenant Miller Recruiting officer stationed at the Armory, Clovis New Mexico.

Perry Keown,
Capt. Co. K.
John Luikart,
2nd Lieutenant

RESOLUTIONS ADOPTED

The following resolutions adopted by the committee appointed by the Chamber of Commerce have been sent to the boys of the Clovis company at the front.

Clovis N. M., May 13, 1916.
Captain Perry Keown and members of Co. K. New Mexico National Guard, Columbus, New Mexico.

Gentlemen:—

The undersigned at a meeting and banquet of the Clovis Chamber of Commerce last night were appointed a committee to express to you, and through you to the men under you, the pride the citizens of Clovis feel in the members of Co. K. Time only can tell what the future holds in store for you. It may be that your stay on the border will be of short duration, or it may be possible that a long, hard campaign into the interior of Mexico awaits you. You may not fire a shot, and then again you have skirmishes with Mexican bandits or fierce fighting with Mexican soldiers. But no matter what confronts you, remember that you are helping uphold the dignity of the American flag and making the lives of American citizens, especially on their own soil, safe; you are helping teach the natives of Mexico that no nation, and particularly one whose national diet is chili con carne and frioles, can insult our flag with impunity or take the lives of our citizens without just

punishment being meted out to them.

The eyes of the whole country, and particularly of Clovis, are upon you. We expect you to, and know that you will, acquit yourselves, individually and as a company, with honor. And no matter where the call of war may lead you, our prayers for your safety will follow you. And when order has been restored in Mexico and there is no further need for your services as soldiers, may you all return to Clovis to receive the homage due you, and settle down again to your several peaceful pursuits.

Yours very truly,

CLOVIS CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

By H. C. Herby,
S. J. Boykin,
G. M. Bryan,
Committee.

MEMBERS OF COMPANY "K"

Those who entrained from Clovis for the border last week are

Capt. Perry Keown
2nd. Lieut. John C. Luikart
Fred M. Calkins
N. A. Nicholas
Forrest L. Long
Louis Thomas
William F. Beck
Otto R. Forbes
Chas. Davenport
O. V. Beck
Leo Cooley
Harry Self
Paul Gore
Robert Anderson
Harry Byard
John Barker
Albus Crossland
Charley Dover
E. C. Fitzhugh
Thos. Ferner
Uhl Floyd
Henry Huff
Thos. Jones
Leslie Mills
Hugo Marek
Earl McDonald
Aaron Sadder
Earl Slaughterback
Robert Stubbs
W. M. Shannon
Ralph Voyles
Chas. Wilson

12 MORE RECRUITS

Twelve more recruits left here Monday in charge of M. O. Simpson to reinforce the Clovis company now at Columbus. Nine additional recruits have enlisted since and as soon as ten are received they will be immediately sent to the border for duty. Those who made up the party Monday are
M. O. Simpson
Lewis McClellan,
Roscoe Arnold
Willard Galloway
James D. Moore
Finis Brown
J. Elijah Miles
Chas. F. Hager
Wm. L. Young
Lewis O. Gardner
Claude Antle
Sterling P. Martin.

Mrs. Jack Griffith returned Saturday from Corsicana, Texas, where she has been visiting.

Chamber of Commerce Banquet

The most successful "get-together" meeting ever held in Clovis, is the title given it by those who attended the Chamber of Commerce banquet at the Elks auditorium Friday night. The out of town speakers were Judge G. A. Richardson, of Roswell, Judge J. D. Hamlin and C. W. Harrison, of Farwell. The home speakers were, Alex Shipley, Cash Ramey, A. L. Dillon and Sam Bratton.

Claude Miller, President of the Chamber of Commerce, was toastmaster and presided over the meeting. A letter was read from Rev. J. H. Shepard expressing his regret at being unable to attend and to accept the invitation to speak.

During the evening Misses Lorena Connolly and Mary Welch rendered several vocal selections.

On account of lack of space this week, the News is unable to quote the speakers. Especially would we have been pleased to have been able to make reference to the splendid talks delivered by Judge J. D. Hamlin and Judge G. A. Richardson.

Big Cattle Purchase

Shipley Brothers Cattle Company report big sales in live stock and a practical clean up on everything except blooded stuff. John Shipley and his foreman G. Powers, have gone to Deming to receive 1700 white faced heifers which they will put on their ranches northwest of town. They will also receive 500 more of the same high grade stuff at Aden, N. M. on June 12. They have only about 250 head left on their ranch besides the 500 thoroughbreds. Mr. Shipley says that the only profitable way to acquire a herd of \$85 or \$90 cows is to buy them when they are yearlings and keep them until they make cows. He presents convincing argument to substantiate this statement.

\$4,000 Appropriated

For Methodists

Rev. J. H. Messer returned the latter part of last week from Louisville, Kentucky, where he attended a meeting of the church extension board from which he managed to secure an appropriation of \$4,000 for the building of the new Methodist church. About six thousand dollars has been subscribed here for the purpose which will enable them to put up at least a ten thousand dollar building. Kentucky is not Rev. Messer's old home as recently stated in the News. Although he would have no objection to the honor of being a son of the blue grass state, he was born and reared in the Indian Territory.

J. E. Liddington Dead

J. E. Liddington, for many years a resident of Clovis, died at his home in Moline, Kansas, Wednesday. The information came in messages to A. J. Whiting and S. A. Jones Wednesday stating that his death was sudden. He was 56 years of age.

Mr. and Mrs. John Allen and his charming sister, Miss Virginia Allen, and Mr. and Mrs. J. O. Welborn motored up from Fort Sumner Tuesday.

Elks Will Play Ball at Tucumcari Sunday

The Clovis Elks' ball team, which has just been organized, will play the Tucumcari Elks' team next Sunday at Tucumcari. The Clovis "BILLS" accompanied by their families, will go over in autos, leaving here Saturday afternoon and returning Sunday night. A letter from Secretary James, of the Tucumcari lodge, to T. M. Davenport, of the social committee of the Clovis lodge, says in part:

"Saturday afternoon we will get acquainted and Saturday night we will have a dance at the club. Sunday afternoon we should get started on the game by 2 o'clock and finish by 4 o'clock in time for you to reach the cap rock before dark." Continuing Mr. James says, "I wish some time this summer we could arrange a 'half way' picnic of some kind. We could meet at the breaks and everybody take a basket lunch and enjoy the occasion out in the country. I am very much in favor of these 'get together' parties. Let us have a good time this summer."

Although the new suits which have been ordered for the Clovis team will not arrive in time for the game, they will come in handy later on when it is expected to arrange games and picnics with Amarillo, Plainview and Roswell. At least twenty cars are expected to make the trip Sunday.

Do You Have Faith in Clovis

Some of the Chamber of Commerce workers have inaugurated a "booster" campaign. They are having personal cards printed with the "Booster Creed" printed on the back. Every business man in Clovis should adopt the plan. Following is the creed:

"We believe in Clovis, the best town in eastern New Mexico and the future metropolis of the plains country.

We believe in boosting and not knocking; in looking forward instead of backward; in being optimistic instead of pessimistic and in lending a hand to any worthy cause that will benefit our town.

We believe in the business men, the professional men, the laboring men, the railroad men, and every citizen of Clovis, and in our opinion they are the most progressive and intelligent class of people to be found anywhere.

We believe in our schools and our churches and all other agencies calculated to improve our boys and our girls to the end that they may grow up to be intelligent, upright and honest citizens.

We believe that in Clovis the sun shines just a little brighter, the rain falls a little more gently, the winds kiss us a little more kindly and the stars twinkle a little more brilliantly than anywhere else in the country.

We believe in the "10,000 inhabitants in 1920" slogan and will strive in all legitimate ways to bring this about.

And last but not least, we believe in Curry county and the sturdy farmers who compose the citizenship thereof, who, by their untiring efforts are producing the finest grains, the fattest cattle, the sleekest horses and the best hogs to be found anywhere."

DEMOCRATIC COUNTY CONVENTION HELD SATURDAY

Administrations of President Wilson and Governor McDonald Endorsed. Candidacy of R. L. Owen of Oklahoma for Vice President is also Endorsed. W. W. Nichols, the Harmony Party Leader, is the New County Chairman.

Saturday was a big day for the Democrats of Curry County. It was convention day, the first in many long years. The purpose was to elect delegates to the state convention which in turn elects delegates to the National Convention which nominates a president of the United States. Curry County Democrats are in hopes that at least one of the delegates from this county will be selected as a delegate to the big national convention. There is a movement on foot to boost Fred W. James or Harry Patton or both. With its big democratic vote, Curry county will be entitled to at least one delegate and one alternate.

Convention was called to order by County Chairman E. H. Robinson at 2 o'clock at the County Court House.

Sam Bratton was made permanent chairman and Fred E. Dennis, Secretary. The retiring chairman was extended a vote of thanks for his faithful service and devotion to the party.

The precinct representation was as follows:

Preced't. 1, majority del. present
" 2, not present
" 3, Majority
" 4, "
" 5, "
" 6, not present
" 7, Majority
" 8, "
" 9, "
" 10, "
" 11, not present
" 12, Majority
" 13, not present

A splendid talk was delivered by chairman Bratton in which the principles of Jeffersonian democracy or the rule of the people, was outlined.

After the appointment of the committees and their reports were received, Fred W. James and H. L. Patton were elected state committeemen.

The following delegates were elected:

H. L. Patton	Fred James
C. E. Dennis	S. G. Bratton
Chas. Scheurich	Ben Crawford
L. E. Hitchcock	

ALTERNATES	
L. C. Mersfelder	F. E. Dennis
M. L. Johnson	W. W. White
W. W. Nichols	M. M. Craig
A. L. Await	

THE NEW CHAIRMAN
W. W. Nichols, who made such an enviable record as representative in the Legislature from Curry county, and who is considered the greatest harmony worker in the county, was made county chairman.

RESOLUTIONS

After passing resolutions endorsing the administration of President Woodrow Wilson and Governor W. C. McDonald and also endorsing the candidacy of Senator Robt. L. Owen, of Oklahoma, for Vice President, the meeting adjourned.

Childrens Dresses, if
A. J. Rodas.

G. C. Brock for Tax Assessor

In this issue of the News appears the announcement of Grover Cleveland Brock for the office of Tax Assessor of Curry county. The name, "Grover Cleveland," would at least indicate that Mr. Brock was born and reared a Democrat, which is actually the case. He has always voted the ticket and worked for the best interests of the party.

Mr. Brock has been in this section about nine years, having resided in Clovis for the past three years. He was born on a farm in Texas about 30 years ago, where he learned well, from good, honest, industrious parents the lesson of honesty and industry. He has held a responsible position with the Santa Fe Railroad for five years. Here he made good as he had done in other undertakings. He has, in addition to a good literary education, a good commercial education, and is, in every way qualified to fill the office to which he aspires.

W. B. Shipley

A typical western man with western ways and manner of doing things is W. B. Shipley, candidate for the office of County Commissioner from the Melrose district. Mr. Shipley has spent his life on the plains, having removed here five years ago from Floydada, Texas, where he was reared. For several years he had a ranch a few miles west of St Vrain but now he is engaged in stock-farming on his place six miles north of Melrose. Mr. Shipley being a westerner by birth and adoption, understands the ups and downs of the stockman farmer. He especially appeals to that class of people to support him for the position to which he aspires.

Big Firms Consolidate

The Clovis Mill and Elevator Company and J. A. Latta Wholesale Grocery have consolidated under the firm name of the former. The deal, which has been pending for several weeks was finally consummated last week and made public on Friday. The combined capital of these large concerns will enable them to do business on a large scale, buying and shipping in large quantities and affording a better market for all classes of grain and produce. They will erect another elevator soon and if this year's wheat crop is satisfactory and the outlook for the future good, they will also erect a flouring mill here. The handling of groceries will be discontinued except the staple stuff such as feed, flour, potatoes, sugar, etc. They have now acquired the Melrose elevator and will also erect elevators at Portales, Elida and other shipping points.

Mrs. Harry Miller expects to leave Saturday for Fort Worth to visit her father.